plans to float bonds for NRIs for the present

(b) Does not arise.

Arrears against Tamil Nadu and Punjab State Electricity Boards

5359. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Coking Coal Limited is not supplying coal to Tamil Nadu and Punjab State Electricity Board;

(b) if so, the reaons therefor; and

(c) whether the arrears for payment to B.C.C.L. are outstanding against these two SEBs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) There was no short fall in the supply of coal to Tamilnadu. There has been a shortfall in the receipt of coal from Bharat Coking Coal Limited at the linked power station of Punjab Electricity Board.

The reasons for shortfall in the supply of coal may be due to inability of coal companies and Railways to supply coal as per the approved coal linkage to the thermal power stations.

(c) As per the coal companies, following amounts was outstanding as on 8.4.95 against the SEBs:—

PROVISIONAL (Rs.in Lakhs

	Undisputed	Disputed	Total
Punjab State Electricity Board	(–) 1144	10556	9412
Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	(–) 499	417	(–) 82

Applications for Power Projects

5360. SHRI T. VBENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of power projects an individual or a Company can apply for and execute at a given time;

(b) whether one group can implement more than one project at a time; and

(c) whether there is any minimum qualification on the financial condition of the group for applying or qualifying to take up such projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) to (c) The policy does not lay down any limit on the number of projects to be executed by an individual or a Company at a given time. Before entrusting a power project to the promoter, the concerned State Governments/ State Electricity Boards are expected to examine the organisational, managerial and financial capabilities of the promoters

Setting up of Private Power Projects

5361. SHRI T.VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether individual promoters can set up power projects without the consent of the State Government in the States where due to political reasons certain promoters are not being given an opportunity to set up such project; and

(b) if so, whether the Central Government would clear such projects?